In the Claims:

Kindly rewrite the claims as follows:

- 1. (Currently amended) Golf clubhead (1) made from metal, having a strike face (2) which has a loft angle α of greater than 45°, said strike (2) face having has a plurality of parallel grooves (10), characterized in that wherein the strike face (2) has a surface roughness Ra of less than 0.25 micrometre, and in that the a Vickers hardness of the strike face (2) is greater than 5 GigaPascal.
- 2. (Currently amended) Golf clubhead according to Claim 1, eharacterized in that wherein the surface roughness Ra of the strike face (2) is less than 0.15 micrometre.
- 3. (Currently amended) Golf clubhead according to Claim 1, characterized in that wherein the strike face (2) is made from maraging steel.
- 4. (Currently amended) Golf clubhead according to Claim 1, characterized in that wherein the strike face (2) is made from a ceramic composition.
- 5. (Currently amended) Golf clubhead according to Claim 4, characterized in that wherein the ceramic composition is chosen from the group comprising: silicon carbide, boron carbide, titanium carbide, zirconia, alumina, and a combination of the above material preceding materials.
- 6. (Currently amended) Golf clubhead according to Claim 1, characterized in that wherein the Vickers hardness of the strike face (2) is greater than 12 GigaPascal.
- 7. (Currently amended) Golf clubhead according to Claim 1, characterized in that wherein the surface roughness Ra of the strike face decreases along the <u>a</u> height of the strike face (2).